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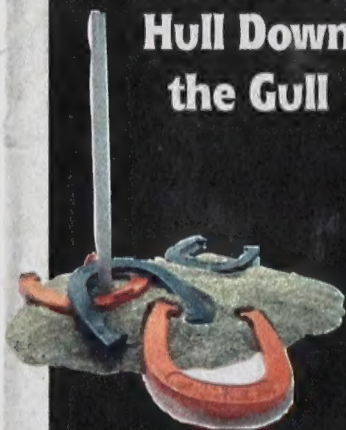
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Gooderham Horseshoe Days Returns with Familiar and New Attractions

The long weekend is quickly approaching, and that means the Gooderham Horseshoe Days are about to begin.

This year, this fun-filled three-day event that's geared towards the entire family runs from Friday, July 31 – Sunday, Aug. 2, in an around the Gooderham Community Centre.

Things kick-off on Friday when the midway opens at 5 p.m. Fireworks will light up the skies at dusk, which is where kids will be able to have their faces painted, get glow products and treats.

On Saturday, the day starts off with firemen's fundraising breakfast at 7:30 a.m. in the community centre. The delicious, Great Canadian breakfast meal is only \$6 for adults and \$3 per child. Coffee is \$1 all day. A doubles horseshoe tournament starts right after breakfast at 10:00 a.m.

For those looking to find some great deals on Saturday, there will be an indoor/outdoor flea market that runs from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. But that's not all. A penny sale and yard sale will also feature unique items and great bargains from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Other featured attractions on Saturday include:

J&K Reptiles – Come see some wild and exotic creatures for free. Presentations are at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Displays will be up all day and there will be photos opportunities with some of the creatures for a nominal fee.

Kids Parade – Come and dress up, bring your bike, skateboard, rollerblades, wagons and more out at 11:30 a.m. Prizes will be awarded. Assemble at the community centre road entrance.

Michou the Clown – Visit this local and well-liked clown for lots of giggles, face painting, balloons and more between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Canadian Motocross Training Services – Kids who are between the ages of six and 12 have a great opportunity to learn and practice the basics of safe motocross riding with the professionals of CMTS.

Canadian Professional Wrestling – Catch all the grappling action at noon for free.

Side Show Bob – Live music all afternoon. Some great classics are to be heard and danced to. A number of sets will be played from 2 – 6 p.m. for free.

Pig Roast – Last year's sold out! Limited tickets are available. The roast goes from 5 – 6:30 p.m. Adults are \$10 and kids are \$4.

Arden & the Tourists – This is an awesome and diverse band from

Toronto. They were the house band for the Pinestone Resort for a few years, and are now very popular in Toronto and the surrounding areas. Admission is \$10 per person.

Events on Sunday

Firemen's Fundraising Breakfast – Get in on another Great Canadian breakfast from 8 – 11 a.m. The cost is \$6 per adult and \$3 per child.

Lakeside Church Service – The service starts at 10 a.m. at Pine Lake Beach. Please bring your own chairs.

Demo Derby – The gates open at 11 a.m. and all the crash banging action starts at 1 p.m. Admission is \$5 per person and children five and under and free.

Corn on the Cob – Stand opens up at 1 p.m.

Ziggy the Clown – One of the new local clowns in town who will amuse the kids with his magic tricks and stories.

Two of the new Attractions coming to Gooderham Horseshoe Days 2009

Dragons, Snakes and Lizards

This will prove to be a great experience for kids and adults alike. J & K Reptiles of Orillia will be brining a collection of reptiles for you to have a chance to learn about their, habitat, habits, food, diet, size, danger if any

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and which ones can make great pets! You will also have a chance to have your picture taken with some of the little critters!

Some of the creatures you may have a chance to meet are Frankie the Frilled Dragon, Crumb the California King, Rick the Savannah Monitor, Crusher the Carpet Python or Sam the Sudan Plated Lizard and many more of their friends. J & K Reptiles will have these guys on display from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. with two in-depth presentations: one at 11 a.m. and one at 5 p.m. at the bandstand. A big thanks to the Gooderham Committee for Kids for sponsoring this attraction.

New Sounds will be heard.....

A change of entertainment for Saturday evening will prove to add some dancing feet to the dance floor Saturday night! Arden and the Tourist, a very talented band from Toronto will be coming to entertain us with a great variety of music. They play a wonderful sampling of music from pop, country, retro, dance, classic rock, 50's and 60's swing, nostalgia to even disco! A list of their music can be found on the Horseshoe Days Info wall at the post office or you can even hear a sample from their own website at ardenandthetourists.com.

Arden & the Tourists have been burning up the Toronto Night Club scene for over 10 years now. In that time they have become one of the hottest and most popular bands in Toronto. The band is also in demand for weddings, private and corporate functions as well. Their repertoire is even more impressive as they have traveled abroad and have been featured in several Canadian Armed Forces tours.

The bands original songs have earned them several awards which lead them to recording projects in Nashville in cooperation with Sony Records. Some may be familiar with them from their years as the house band for Pinestone Resort and many other venues throughout Haliburton County. Arden's warm personality and amazing vocals combined with the talent of the 'Tourists' is sure to entertain and please just about anyone.

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aquatic "ride" do you have?

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Then get ready for Float Your Hull Down the Gull on Wednesday, Aug. 12 at 1 p.m. For what has become quite the summer tradition, you will launch off at Rotary Park on your fancy floater. Bring out those tubes, mattresses, chairs, water wings, or whatever other water bobber you have.

The goal of the event is to get as many people as people as possible to float down the Gull River, at the same time. You will finish at the Minden dock, but can go further if you so wish.

Plan to meet at Rotary Park (entrance is off Hwy 35, across from Kawartha Dairy). If you're competitive floater, then plan to get out the gate first. The start time for the "lazier" floaters out there is set at 1:30 p.m.

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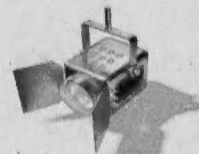
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Northern Expressions

Spotlight on Business



by George Farrell

Celebrating its Third Year of Retailing Unique Furniture, Home Decor And So Much More

When we first wrote about Northern Expressions it was in June of 2007, and owner Karen Burnett had been open merely a month. The store was Karen's first foray into retailing home furnishings, and then as now, the store is so crammed full of goodies that we wondered how she could ever justify carrying so much stock.

Well I guess we'd better stick to our day jobs because she certainly knows her products and market. In short she knows what people want and this is reflected in the quality, quantity and diversity of items to be found in the store, now in it's third successful year.

Originally from the Niagara area Karen was drawn to the Highlands by the environment, which offers her cleaner air and a better life. Before the store she was involved in purchasing, accounting, retail sales and marketing in the home improvement, and the lumber industries. That certainly prepared her well for Northern Expressions.

When you enter the store, located in the Beer Plaza, just south of the village of Haliburton, you might think things are pretty much as



they were when she opened. There's certainly as much if not more items to ogle, smell, touch, and yes, hear, as the constant call of a loon echoes throughout the showroom, perhaps heat or movement-activated. But things are not the same, apparently. "Things have changed," Karen Burnett states. "Our product selection has changed and there's more diversification of lines and we've elaborated on certain lines that are in demand." But if it ain't broke, don't fix it, as the saying goes and Northern Expressions still carries reasonably-priced quality furniture and home decor; well crafted and unique pieces, which are solid and well made, with nature-inspired themes.

"People also like the fact that we have products for every room in the house, ranging from kitchen islands, dining tables, chairs, benches buffets and hutches for the kitchen to a huge selection of beds and matching dressers, and night stands etcetera, in pine cedar and birch." Some popular product lines include:

The Irish Coast Collection. It's made from hand-rubbed, mortise and tenon joined, reclaimed barn board. It's solid pine furniture, available in matching suites for all the rooms in your house or cottage.

Northern Lakes Cedar Log Furniture. It's a rustic, northern look, featuring railing systems for both interior and exterior stairwells. There are interior night stands, dressers, coffee tables, end tables and outdoor furniture.

Crate Designs. Made from solid yellow pine it presents a more refined look with a lighter 'feel'. There are bar sets and matching stools from which to choose, dining table sets and bedroom and living room furniture too.

College Woodwork features all solid birch bedroom sets. Expressions is a line of marine grade plastic outdoor furniture, mortise and tenon joined and

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maintenance-free. It offers a life time warranty and features furniture in eight colours including the primaries of red blue and yellow, green, black and white, tan and ivory.

Breezesta Outdoor Furniture is made from environmentally friendly recycled high density plastic, mortise and tenon joined, with color matched stainless hardware. This furniture has a lifetime warranty. "Every colour is available and every one of them is green," laughs Karen. She's referring to the 'green' aspect of the recycled furniture, while in reality all the colours of the rainbow and more are represented by the row of furniture outside the showroom.

Vaxcel Lighting is a line which is brand new to the store. It's a nature-inspired line of lighting. All wires are hidden in walls and ceilings, and the line features ceiling fans, chandeliers, wall sconces and interior and exterior vanity lights. Themes are many and varied with pine trees, moose and bears representing some of the eight different lines.

Natura is the natural sleep solution of pillows, mattresses, and comforters all made from quality latex 'memory' foam and soya based products, with a 20 year warranty. "The pillows are phenomenal," says Karen, "the natura wool they use in the products is hypo allergenic and helps to eliminate dust mites."

There are of course many other fine lines and products. There's variety of solid wood furniture made from both new and reclaimed pine, over 150 varieties of lamps are available; table and floor lamps, and specialty pieces, many of them featuring wildlife and nature themes. "We feature environmentally friendly, nature-themed products," Karen confirms, "including Ontario made soya based candles which emit no carcinogenics into the air, and have incredible burn times. Our bees wax candles are the cleanest burning candles. They give off negative ions, which help to settle dust particles, animal dander and smoke. Our Himalayan Rock Salt lamps and candle holders also clean the air naturally, while emitting a unique quality of light."

Northern Expressions has over 60 incredible mirrors in stock. They come in many sizes and designs. Particularly fascinating for that just-so look to your cottage or rec room is a deer antler mirror. There are also mirrors with birch bark trim. You just have to see them.

There's so much to see at Northern expressions that to write about it all would take up the whole of the Communicator, but no visit to the store would be complete without talking about the great variety of rugs. Most of them have the nature theme in either realistic designs or more geometric depictions. They're made from olefin, a low maintenance, durable fabric. Karen keeps over 50 in stock and they range



from mats, to 8' by 11' area rugs. "There's also bathroom and kitchen mats to mix and match with our collections," she says.

"The community has really embraced us, and we've been very well

received. It's been a sheer delight to deal with the people that we've met, and it makes us feel good that we can supply people with what they're looking for; and the fact that people are supporting local businesses is just awesome."

Well, what goes around comes around. Karen Burnett is smart enough to realize what people want. She makes it available to them at a reasonable price, and they come and get it. And she greets all customers with a smile. It's as simple as

that. No fuss, no muss; sometimes a cigar is just a cigar. Ah, no, you can't buy cigars at Northern Expressions.

Northern Expressions is open year round Monday through Saturday 10 am to 5pm. July and August also open Sunday's 10 am to 4pm. The store is located at 33 Hops drive, Haliburton (The Beer Store Plaza). (705) 457-8957.

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Saturday, August 1 - Novelty Swim Day - Time: 2 p.m. Location: Podmore's Beach For more information call 457-1379. Please bring your kayaks

Sunday, August 2, 2009 – Fun Day, BBQ and Corn Roast - Time: 2 p.m. Location: The Gonnens's Property For more information call 457-2470, 457-9293, 457-2577.

Saturday, August 8, 2009 – Sailing Day - Time: 1 p.m. Location: Off Harris' Beach -For more information call 457-2823.

The Lake Kashagawigamog Organization

Saturday, Aug. 15 - LKO Environment Day - Time: 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Location: Bryson's Marine,

Cty Rd. 21 between Minden and Haliburton

Koshlong Lake Association

Saturday, Aug. 1 – Fun Day - Time: 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 8 – 8th Annual Rock Bass Fishing Derby - Time: 5 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 15 – KLA Earth Hour - time: 9:30 p.m.

Haliburton Lake Cottagers' Association

Saturday, Aug. 1 – Regatta Location: Public Beach - Time: 10 a.m. - Sunday, Aug. 2 – Regatta Raindate, Rock Bass Derby Weigh-In - Location: public beach Time: noon – 1 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 3 – Ref Cross/Royal Life Summer Swimming Lessons Start - ime: Registration at 10 a.m. – noon Location: public beach

Tuesday, Aug. 4 – Kids Bingo - Location: HCLA Hall - Time: 7 p.m. -

Sunday, Aug. 9 – Rock Bass Derby weigh-in Location: public beach - Time: noon – 1 p.m.

Boshkung Lake Property Owners Association

Saturday, Aug. 1 – Boshkung Lake Regatta - Time: 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. - For more information contact Ian Richardson.

Sunday, Aug. 2 – Outdoor Movie Night

Time: 8:30 p.m. – 11 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 22 – Golf Tournament and Dinner Party - Time: 10:30 a.m. – 10 p.m.

Mountain Lake Property Owners Association

Sunday, Aug. 2 – Swim Registration Time: 1 p.m. - Swim – 1:30 p.m. **Picnic and clothing sale** – 2 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 22 – Golf Tournament

Time: 9 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Horseshoe Lake Property Owners Association

Sunday, Aug. 5 – Kid's Rock Bass Derby Location: Carol & Brent Winter's, W94

Time: Register before 11 a.m. on Sunday and fish at 2 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 18 – Golf Tournament

(no rain date) - Call Lakeside Golf Course at 705 754-2110 to pre-book and pre-pay your tee-off time. - For more information phone Doug at 705 286-1519.

Kushog Lake Property Owners Association

Saturday, Aug. 1 – Kushog Lake Picnic Location: Pine Spring Valley Resort - Time: 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Land and water games for kids, adults, decorated boat contest, craft and hobby displays and sale, refreshments and Kushog Lake shirts and clothing. Bring lawn chairs, bathing suits, your neighbours and your friends.

Soyers Lake Rate Payers Association

Saturday, Aug. 15 – Annual Corn Roast - Location: Same usual place

Canning Lake Property Owners Association

Saturday, Aug. 1 – Family Fun Day Location: Ingoldsby Park - Time: 3 p.m. - A fun, all-ages event with games,

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Saturday, Aug. 1 – Sailing Regatta



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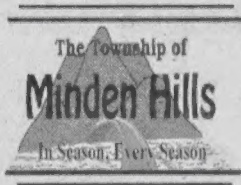
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"A week or two after I'd taken over the maintenance of his hot tub, he phoned me and said, 'Norm, I can't thank you enough -- I was actually able to enjoy my entire weekend -- for once.'"

Norm Barry has operated his own hot tub sales and maintenance company since July 27th, 2008, but worked for 10 years for Wade Woodward at the Pump Shop selling and installing hot tubs. While working there, six years ago he started his own hot tub maintenance business. He joined the Pump Shop team after 16 successful years in the lumber business at Camarvon Lumber. As you can probably tell from his name, Norm is a native of West Guilford, where he raises his son Tyler with Tyler's mom, Adele.

Hot tub maintenance can be a complicated affair, and needs to be done weekly, or at least bi-weekly. Norm not only sells Hot Tubs, generally the Beachcomber brand, he provides full setup and installation, plumbing, wiring, chemical balancing, mechanical maintenance, and sanitization. Norm can maintain any brand of hot tub on the market. With Norm it's truly one-stop shopping. He also sells the chemicals for proper balancing, and supplies hot tub covers, and other accessories. "I do bromine, chlorine, and salt water systems; they all need different chemicals and treatments -- it's not that simple a business, to say the least. But it doesn't matter what kind of tub you have, you have to maintain it regularly, even shock it regularly. Last year the salt water systems were all the rage, partly because people might have thought they required less maintenance, but that hasn't really been the case. In fact they need more maintenance, if anything. No matter what kind of system you have, it requires chemicals, period.

"When we set up a system we use whatever water the customer has: it's nice if the water is balanced already, not too hard, not too soft, but we'll fix it up no matter what. I balance the water for alkalinity, chlorine and PH and hardness. There are two sections to hot tub maintenance: you have your mechanical end of it, and you have your sanitizer end. You have to pay attention to both; for instance, if you don't look after the mechanical end, if you have a lot of iron in your water, you're going to be into mechanical repair, the tub won't work right, there can be calcium build-up on the element, and of course you spend more on hydro.

"The sanitization part is obviously important -- you have to use just the right combinations of chemicals to keep the water fresh and clean. I recommend that people should replace the water at least three times a year. What happens is that the Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) in any hot tub gradually rises over time, so the water in effect is saturated: when the TDS is between 1800 and 2000, you have no room to work. So you have to replace

the water, and start over again. And if the customer has a built in water-softener in their system, you know already that the TDS level is going to be high from the beginning."

Norm also says that usage can be a big factor as well. The more people in the tub and the more often it's used the greater the need for maintenance. He also gets to know all his customers' different systems because virtually every water supply in Haliburton County is different. "You have to know the makeup of each system, and how's it's used, how much shock to put in: you should actually shock your tub after each time it's used. Shocked is hitting it with granular chlorine or bromine stabilized product to raise the sanitizer level. But you know, a hot tub that smells like a pool, or like chlorine, people say 'oh, there's too much chlorine, when in fact it's the opposite, that's a hot tub that needs to be shocked.'"

Norm Barry also provides a complete hot tub winter maintenance service, emptying the tubs, disconnecting the plumbing, and making sure the impeller has the right amount of RV, non-toxic antifreeze. "In the spring when the customer wants to come back up, I know exactly what's been done, and what's needed to fire it up safely and efficiently. This maintenance business is really about establishing a trust and knowledge with each customer, and with each system so again, the cottager can spend those precious weekends or holiday time just relaxing, not messing around with chemicals and pipes and pumps." Norm also provides a complete maintenance service for in ground and above ground pools.

Norm Cottage Check and Maintenance business is also growing rapidly. Many seasonal residents aren't aware that their insurance coverage is often only valid if their cottage is inspected regularly. Weekly to bi-weekly walk-throughs are essential: if it's a four-season cottage, it has to be checked. "If not, and you have a problem, your insurance company can void your claim.

"Last year I discovered one break and enter, and caught one broken pipe. With the break-in I had the window fixed and in place that same day so the owner didn't even have to come up -- we took care of it all. I do snow removal, roofs, walkways, and so on. In that way the cottager arrives to a cottage that's warm, accessible, and ready to be enjoyed."

Norm also does the little jobs that are sometimes the most frustrating for cottage owners. "One customer called me just last week and said, 'Norm, I have no truck or trailer, and I really need my shed cleaned out. Could you take all the junk to the dump for me?' And of course I said sure, glad to. We're really in the service business -- and we keep our customers happy."

Norm's company philosophy is simple: "Relax at the cottage and in your tub: Let us do the work."

You can reach Norm Barry at 705 754-1078, on his cell at 705 457-0153, or by email at normrbarry@hotmail.com.



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Swiss Sled Dog Man and Forest Technician Turns to Farming

By George Farrell

Ralph Herzog was born and raised in Northwest Switzerland; which means he can speak French, German, Swiss and English. He is by trade a certified forest technician and landscaper. These are important positions in Switzerland, both of which require a two year apprenticeship. He has taken courses in environmental issues, which means that he's "trained to put things back the way they were, before European drainage and management systems changed the landscape."

In Switzerland, hundreds of years of civilization mean that the management of forested areas are vastly different than they are in Canada, and regulations are much more stringent. As an entrepreneur, Ralph worked in forestry and landscape projects for government agencies, communities and private clients, up until 2005. But he was getting a little antsy. In Switzerland and throughout much of Europe they don't have the vast areas of wilderness that we have in Canada, and there's only so much you can do with what little land is left unexploited. Ralph wanted a bigger canvas on which to utilize his experience and expand his knowledge. Europe was just too small. An avid reader, he was inspired by stories about Canada. "I was fascinated by the nature and wildlife, and by the sheer size of the country, where there was more land than people. I believe that Canada has so much more than any other country in the world," he says.

So Ralph came to Canada; to Ontario in fact. But he wasn't the first of his family to make the move. Twenty years ago, upon his father's retirement, his parents decided to bravely pull up stakes, and immigrate. They ended up on Manitoulin Island, and that's where Ralph initially gravitated to. Manitoulin, like Haliburton County is not a rich area, and jobs are few and far between, especially for a newcomer. "I didn't know it would be this tough," Ralph exclaims. "In spite of government encouragement due to my qualifications, when I got here I realized that my certifications didn't mean much with most forestry groups." He found himself over-qualified for most jobs he was offered, and at 42 he felt that he was too old to start over again from the bottom. "With my education I was capable of so much more, but I'm a fighter, and I thought that my best bet was to use my entrepreneurial skills." Ralph got some work on the island in construction, logging, and cutting firewood, but he started to look on the Internet for a better position. He found a person in Yellowknife who was looking for someone to train sled dogs, and "they made me an offer I couldn't refuse."

Ralph Herzog has been working with dogs for over 20 years. He started training sled dogs in the Swiss army, and he subsequently attended



competitions all over Europe. Using Alaskan Malamutes he qualified for the world championships, where in 2004 he won a bronze medal in the 10 mile Heavy Breed, Sprint Race class, with his six dog team. He was the Swiss Champion "for three or four years," and a European Cup winner. So he was the right man for the Yellowknife job. "I had a blast," he says, somewhat wistfully. "I was hired as the kennel manager by an outfit that provided sled dog tours. I was caring for 120 dogs. I looked after their training and maintenance as well as training the staff. It was so beautiful up north, but it was hard work and so very cold." After 18 months Ralph's contract was up, so it was back to his parents on Manitoulin, and back to the Internet to search for work. It wasn't long before he found a job in the Haliburton Forest, where he worked as a cutter and skidder operator. It was work, but Ralph knew that

he could do much more, given the opportunity.

Ralph Herzog left the Forest by mutual consent, as he saw the writing on the wall. "Right now the forestry business in Canada is a real disaster, due to world economics, free trade, the soft wood market and the forest market in total," he exclaims sadly. "I was going to get laid off with 10 or 12 others in August 2007, because the wood prices were way down."

Making adjustments is hard for many of us, and it's even harder for a man who is still learning how



things are done in his new country. Ralph thought about moving back up north, but then he met local gal Sue Bennett, whose father was Gord Bennett, who used to run Bennett Motors. Sue works for lawyer David Shapiera, in Minden.

When they met, Sue was living in Carnarvon, but it wasn't long before she and Ralph moved in together, to the 74 acre property they call Beech Tree Farm on the Gelert Rd, near Lochlin. Ralph's savings from his entrepreneurial ventures in Europe paid for the property. Sue and Ralph are living comfortably on the farm with Sue's two boys Fred 18 and Nick 15. Ralph acknowledges with a smile that there are adjustments to be made there too, but he knows that these things take time. He's been picking up jobs in construction, as an arborist, logger and landscaper for other contractors and private clients. "I usually end up fixing screw-ups," he says laughing, but he wants to turn the conversation around to the farm and their ideas on how to make it profitable. I gently question his sanity about wanting to farm in an area where the best

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crop is rock, but he laughs again and proceeds with his outline.

"We're producing naturally grown goods, like eggs from free-range chickens, free range turkeys, beef and vegetables." The couple has just recently acquired several Shropshire sheep, a heritage breed that produces superior meat and wool. "We don't use any artificial fertilizers or food supplements," Ralph says with some pride. "We're growing things the old fashioned way. It's not all about the money. The farm is still in the early days, but people like our products. We've sold over 50 turkeys and our eggs are almost all gone even before they're laid. I haven't eaten an egg for over two weeks, and even then I'm only allowed to eat the cracked ones."

"All the livestock goes to the butcher in Lindsay. People give us their orders and then they pick it up from us. If you look at it as a per-hour job you wouldn't do it, but people are scared now about unnatural foods. People want to talk to the guy who grows the produce and works the fields, and cleans up the stalls and shovels the poop." He laughs again. "We take our time with people and explain how things work. It's also social. We have a talk about life, and people really appreciate what we're doing and there's an awareness of



buying locally grown produce.

"This place is home for me now. The rolling hills of Haliburton are similar to where I come from. Times are a bit tough. There's a lot of development going on and we need some development, but not too much. This area is unique in Canada. There are so many opportunities if you love the outdoors, but we need more opportunity for those young people who want to stay."

Ralph Herzog laughs much more than he used to. It might be because he seems to have made many of the adjustments he needed to make, and he seems to have a pretty good grasp of the situation here in the Highlands. He credits help from local farmers Casey Cox and

Godfrey Tyler, and of course Sue Bennett has helped a lot too. Ralph is still very heavily into sled dogs and he presently has 17 Alaskan Huskies waiting to pull. But Ralph and Sue's idea for the dogs is another story for another day. Suffice it to say that we have a Swiss mushing farmer and forest technician amongst us, and we're better off because of it.

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have to face south. Then the sun will rise on your left and pass over your head to set on your right. Since the hour hand on a clock was made to follow the sun's motion through the sky, it moves from left to right over the top of the clock—clockwise. Just think... if clocks had been invented in the southern hemisphere, they might run in the opposite direction.



Get the Facts On Wolves

Stewardship Discovery Days Wraps Up at the Haliburton Forest & Wildlife Reserve

The Haliburton Highlands Stewardship Council in partnership with Out to Learn is presenting the 2009 Discovery Days program.

Everyone is invited to participate in these fun and informative sessions, which focus on exploring the ecosystems and natural wonders of Haliburton County. The final discovery day will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 12 from 1:30 - 4:30 p.m. at the Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve in the Seminar building at base camp.

At this insightful event, you'll learn about predators. There's something about predators; animals that kill for a living, that sends a tingle down our spines, and when it's a large predator it can send more than a tingle!

Large predators are an integral part of the forest ecosystem and most are quite secretive. Come and join others as you learn more about the forests' top predators from researchers who spend many days and nights studying one of the most misunderstood: the wolf.

How does a researcher study these powerful animals with such large teeth? Let Brent Patterson share his knowledge and experiences with you to erode the misconceptions surrounding these animals. There will be hands-on demonstrations of radio-telemetry and other techniques used in the field, which allow researchers to piece together, more and more about the secretive lives of Haliburton's large predators.

Space is limited to 30 people so register now and don't delay! Please contact Chris Near at 705 286-5206.

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To celebrate this significant achievement, the store will offer free giveaways, a BBQ with hot dogs, chips and pop, and door crasher prizes from August 13 – 16.

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Riverview's hours of operation are Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. and on Sundays from 10:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Be sure to watch for their flyer in the mail that will highlight specific deals for the 30th anniversary.

Inviting All Young Naturalists to Junior Naturalists Camp 2009

The Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists are pleased to invite nature enthusiasts aged 7-10 to take part in a variety of activities that explore our natural world! This fun and informative series runs from Monday, Aug. 10 – Friday, Aug. 14.

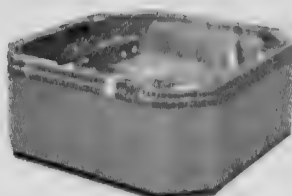
Programs run from 10 a.m. – noon, rain or shine. Dress appropriately for outdoor activities and make sure to bring a hat, snack, some water and dress for the weather!

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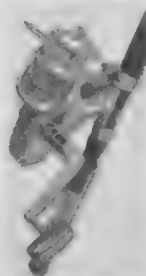


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It seems as though emerging artists are popping up all over the place when you take a look around at the arts scene in Haliburton County. And that's a good thing. Not only are these energetic and creative minds adding to the vibrant community that already is present in the Highlands, but they are also creating a unique culture of their very own.

This weekend (Saturday, Aug. 1 – Sunday, Aug. 2), you'll have the opportunity to meet some of these enthusiastic creative minds and see their vivid works of art during the annual Newfangers Art Festival.

Over the past couple of years, the Newfangers Art Festival has grown to become one of the premier art show/sales for the budding generation of artists. The inaugural festival took place in Camarvon back in August of 2007.

The main intention of Newfangers is to give youth some exposure and a venue to test the waters in their budding arts careers. In any business it is difficult to muster the confidence to self promote, and know how to go about getting one's voice heard. It can also be challenging to find acceptance into galleries, shows, and arts events having little or no prior experience in doing so.

The Newfangers co-ordinators are unbiased, and currently "emerging" themselves - which takes some of the pressure off of the application, and mentorship process. Be assured that they have paid their dues and earned their stripes though - always striving for the best (and most radical).

Artists of any medium are accepted to the festival to assure a pleasing variety for guests attending. This year you'll find new media arts installation, earth art, textiles, paint, mixed media, performance, theatre, photography, illustration, ceramics, music and more.

The organizers of Newfangers don't stifle the artists by making them choose one medium to include. The quality of work is guaranteed to be exceptional because these newbies are determined to prove their worth!

This is a chance for youth to express themselves in a professional yet relaxed setting. The atmosphere is accented by the outdoor setting, surrounded by the forest. It is also a chance for Haliburton's residents and seasonal guests to get a taste of what's in store for the arts in the community.

For more information go online to www.newfangers.com or call Tiffany Howe 705 457-1852.

This year's festivities

The weekend is absolutely full of radical things to see and hear! There are six, count em' six musical acts, a theatrical performance, hula hoop performance, and a fashion show!! Of course, there is also a huge tent just busting full of visual artists/craftspeople to feast your eyes upon, and foods, activities, and installations to engage all of your senses!

The daily entertainment will begin on Saturday with Bigga-Pea + Me - a top-drawer hula hooping performance with a totally unique, outta sight lady. Few of you have ever seen hula hooping like this before!

After the hooping, there will be live bands, the fashion show at 12:15 p.m., followed by more live bands, theatre, and ending off at 5:30 p.m. with an open jam session, combining all types of talents from anyone and/or everyone!

Location: The Newfangers Art Festival 2009 is being held at Rock Rose which is located at 1123 Dennison Rd., Off Horseshoe Lk. Rd., Minden. Horseshoe Lk. Rd. connects to both Hwy. 35 and the Blairhampton.

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26th Annual Wilberforce Agricultural Fair is On Its Way

The Wilberforce Agricultural Fair is entering its 26th year and its organizers are proud to say that their labour of love is still going strong.

The theme of this year's fair "Fun for all, big or small" truly reflects their philosophy of being a family oriented, fun, and always friendly.

This year's fair will include vendors from the Tory Hill Market, who will offer produce, baking, and crafts. Friday events include: the Teddy Bear Parade, Mom and Dad Calling Contest, and Open Mike Country Music event.

Saturday is all about family fun and includes free admission for youth under 16. Kids will enjoy minnow races, petting rabbits, scarecrow building, colouring contest, rope making, face painting and lots more. Performances and demonstrations by the Beverly Forge blacksmith, Children's Dog Show, Rhythmania drum circle, Highland Dancing and Tai Chi.

Also...don't miss the Baby Anything Contest - from baby carrot to baby cow, if it qualifies as a baby in their eyes, we'll judge it. It's action-packed and family friendly. So come visit this fair in August. You'll be glad that you did.

Note: Any person interested in joining the Wilberforce Agricultural Society should feel free to contact the fair by email: info@wilberforcefair.com or call 705-448-2683.

For the entire event schedule visit www.wilberforcefair.com.



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"From the beginning we've been welcomed so warmly and enthusiastically by this community, it's been truly amazing. You can see that Gooderham really wanted a high quality family restaurant and they've supported us with their business day in and day out."

Donna and Grant both have years of experience as cooks in establishments as varied as the former Old Country House, the Wig-a-Mog Inn, and the Kozy Korner in Haliburton. "I worked at the Kozy for eight years, and before that at the Wig. I like to think we've created a little Kozy right here in Gooderham," says Donna. Grant adds that, "I think you learn something from every place you work - we worked

hard at the Old Country House, and certainly I learned some new things. But I've also had 16 years previous to that working at Toronto restaurants. It all adds to the mix we're offering our customers here at Donna's Diner."



The couple knew what kind of restaurant, and service, they wanted to offer right from the start. "We wanted to make all our food from scratch, no pre-cooked or pre-seasoned dishes," says Donna. "We wanted to provide an all-day breakfast, fast and nutritious lunches, and good, home-style dinners. The all-day breakfast is really important: we have three breakfast specials, the Hungry Man for just \$7.99 with includes three eggs, double bacon, ham, or sausage, home fries and toast; the Big "D", \$8.99, with two eggs, two French Toast or pancakes, bacon, ham, sausage, home fries and toast; and the Steak and Eggs, \$12.99 for three eggs, a 5 oz New York Strip loin, home fries and toast. And all three just fly out of here on winter or summer mornings."

Donna and Grant offer a wide variety of dinners at great prices ranging from \$6.99 for one-piece fish and chips to \$8.99 for roast beef, chicken, pork Schnitzel, liver and onions, chicken fingers, two piece fish and chips; and a 10 oz New York Strip loin with fried onions and mushrooms for just \$14.99. "We also do some exciting

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dinner specials each weekend," says Grant. "Beef Wellington is one of our favourites, along with Prime Rib. It's fun for us to do more challenging dishes like Chicken Kiev, and the customers sure appreciate it."

Donna's Diner also offers seniors' portions of all their major meals – which is greatly appreciated by many of their customers. "We wanted to make sure that we're both senior and family-oriented. We're perfectly happy not have a liquor license, for instance. And we let our customers know that the LCBO is just across the street!"



Grant comments that "because we make everything ourselves, from scratch, we didn't want to have a huge menu. But still, we offer 6 oz hand made burgers, chicken burgers, a veggie mushroom burger, along with 17 varieties of sandwiches, plus chicken wings

and pasta, homemade pies, and lots of salads."

Lunch is Donna and Grant's busiest time, with cottagers, locals, and ATVers all taking advantage of the restaurant's homey atmosphere and great food. Donna's Diner can seat up to 30 people, and is open from 6 am to 7 pm Mondays to Wednesdays, 6 am to 8 pm Thursday to Saturday, and from 8 am to 7 pm on Sundays, which is one tough schedule. But Grant and Donna love their work, and they're both expert cooks, so they can spell one another off. And they've just moved into a house a short walk away from the restaurant. Donna's daughter Samantha is also a part of the mix, but at just 11 years old isn't quite part of the staff as yet. Liz Robins is their main trusty staff person.

And don't forget: you can also phone for takeout at 704 447-0023.

Trunk and Bake Sale in Minden

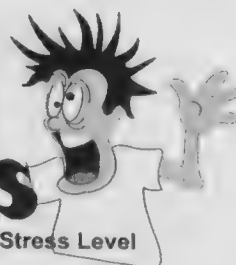
The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Royal Canadian Legion, Br. 636, is holding a trunk/bake sale on Saturday, Aug. 1 from 8 a.m. to noon. The location is 12847 Hwy 35 – the corner of Hwy 35 and Cty Rd. 21, Minden. The bake sale entrance sale is at the side door of the Legion.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of The Royal Canadian Legion, Br. 129, is hosting a meeting on Thursday, July 30 at 7 p.m.

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Be careful not to make hasty decisions in the middle of intense emotions – especially anger. The more emotionally upset you are, the less you'll be able to clearly evaluate your options and choose what is best. Always give yourself some time for emotions to subside before you decide on a course of action. What may satisfy an immediate urge for relief or revenge may end up causing you more stress in the future.

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"Newspaper Hound's Hunt"

Exhibit Will Tell the Tale of One of Canada's Iconic Immigrants

An upcoming exhibit in Minden will give you a lot more insight into the life of one remarkable man: R.D. Lawrence.

The exhibit, titled "Newspaper Hound's Hunt", will feature funny, stirring and timeless pieces of journalism, including a series featuring a face-off with a 1950's housewife and how to feed a family of seven. R.D. Lawrence's transformation from cup-reporter as a teenager in England to a newspaper founder in the Yukon to a newspaper publisher in rural Ontario is also a gripping tale of one of Canada's iconic immigrants.

The exhibit starts on Wednesday, Aug. 12 and runs until Monday, Aug. 31.

Examining Art Today

Relate 09' Exhibit Runs Until Saturday, Aug. 29 in Minden

The goal of the Relate 09' exhibit is to document the relationship between the observer and each artist's work through discussion, debate and dialogue by different methods of interaction in order to give a better understanding to the public about art today, artists and their relationship with observers and the public art galleries' role in creating relationships between artists and observers.

You can still come and see the work of artists June Stone, Steve Hudak and Shelley Beach in this exhibit that runs from Saturday, Aug. 1 – Saturday, Aug. 29 at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery in Minden.

For more information call the gallery at 705 286-3763 or email gallery@mindenhills.ca.

Summer Theatre at its Finest

Highlands Summer Festival Shows Run from Saturday, Aug. 1 – Friday, Aug. 7

There's still time to see some great summer theatre in the Haliburton Highlands with the tenth annual Highlands Summer Festival at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

Catch plays like Annie, the touching comedy from the 60's, Butterflies are Free and the laugh out loud fun of Play On. Also on the playbill are two concerts featuring music from classical to contemporary with well-known local performers Lauren McInnes, Tom Regina and Melissa Stephens, plus some more surprise performers.

For ticket information and more in-depth plot summaries on each show, visit www.highlandssummerfestival.on.ca. You can also call the box office at 705 457-9933.

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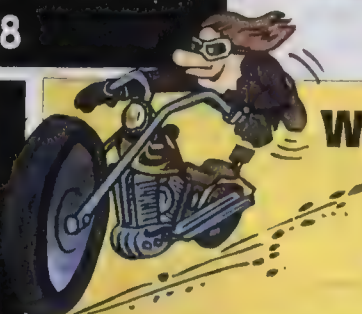
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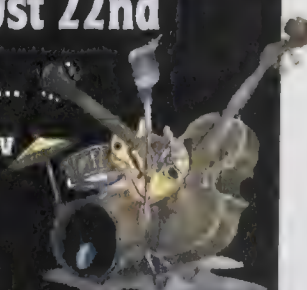
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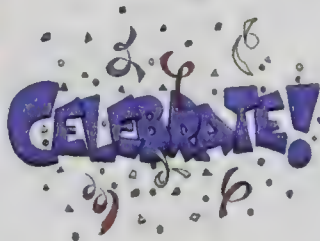
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August 7-15 - Minden 150th Homecoming Week

Friday, August 7

Music By The Gull-7 p.m. in front of the Minden Post Office-Serendipity
Youth Night - Battle of the Bands-Minden Hills Community Centre-7 p.m.-9:30 p.m. info call 286-1936
Minden's Sesquicentennial book launch, Minden Museum—1 p.m.
Historical Portrait Studio - Photo in old clothes \$10/photo, Minden Museum

Saturday, Aug 8

Homecoming coffee hour, Minden Hills Community Centre—8-10 a.m.
Displays of the History of Minden—Minden Curling Club 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
Official Homecoming Welcome—Minden Curling Club 10 a.m.
Amazing Race—starting at the Minden Curling Club-12 noon-5 p.m. 286-1936 to pre-register
Homecoming Dinner & Dance, Minden Hills Community Centre—Doors Open 6 p.m.
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Sunday, Aug 9

Displays of the History of Minden—Minden Curling Club 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
Haliburton County Horseman's Association Gymkhana-Minden Fair Grounds—9:30 a.m.
All Church Picnic-1:00 p.m.-Baseball Diamond beside Community Centre & Curling Club

Tuesday, Aug 11

Displays of the History of Minden—Minden Curling Club 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
Show & Shine Car Show-Downtown Minden Approx. 6 p.m.-Dusk
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Wednesday, Aug 12

Displays of the History of Minden—Minden Curling Club 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
Trunk Sale—Downtown Minden—8 a.m.-1 p.m.-\$10 per vehicle-sign up at the Dominion Hotel
1:30 p.m.-Float Your Hull Down the Gull, Gull River—Rotary Park-
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Thursday, Aug 13

Displays of the History of Minden—Minden Curling Club 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
Minden Merchants Street Sale—9 a.m. - 9 p.m. • Kid's Games 12 - 3
Jail Cell, Minden Hills Museum fundraiser, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. downtown
Cream Pie Throw 3 - 4p.m. Fundraiser for the 150th Committee, Rockcliffe Fashion Show
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Friday, August 14

Displays of the History of Minden—Minden Curling Club 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
Music By The Gull-7 p.m. in front of the Minden Post Office-Zoë Chilco

Aug 13, 14, 15, 16

The Conjurors of County Town present Buck's Tavern
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Minden Hills Museum-Thursday-Saturday 7:30 p.m., Sunday 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, Aug 15

Minden 150 Bike Tour, 30 km, 70 km, and 150 km Rides—info call 286-1936
Cance FM Hoedown with Johnny Burke Minden Community Centre-Tickets call 457-9803
Spoil ME Lottery draw-Buy your \$50 ticket at Haliburton County Tourism Office, Hwy 35
Opera, Minden United Church-Newcastle St.

Friday, August 21

Music By The Gull-7 p.m. in front of the Minden Post Office-Johnny Burke

Friday-Sunday August 21, 22, 23

Haliburton County Fair, Minden Fairgrounds
Celebrity Pig Race-Sunday August 23—info call 705-854-0335

Saturday, Aug 22

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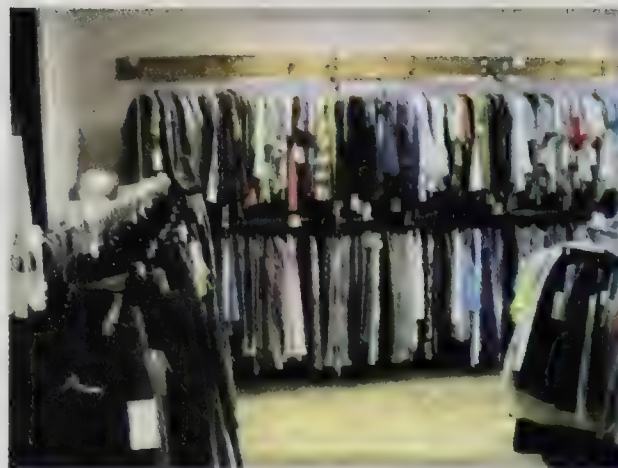
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"This location is convenient, the space is bright and attractive, and we're looking forward to a very successful season." The store boasts all kinds of clothing bargains, from slacks to blouses, men's wear, and a large selection of shoes and boots. All items are 50 to 80 percent off.

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Stay with this -- the answer might surprise you.

One evening a grandson was talking to his grandfather about current events. The grandson asked his grandfather what he thought about the shootings at schools, the computer age, and just things in general.

The Grandpa replied, "Well, let me think a minute, I was born before: television, penicillin, polio shots, frozen foods, Xerox, contact lenses, Frisbees and the pill.

There was no such thing as: radar, credit cards, laser beams or ball-point pens.

Man had not invented: pantyhose, air conditioners, dishwashers, clothes dryers, and the clothes were hung out to dry in the fresh air and man hadn't yet walked on the moon.

Your Grandmother and I got married first-and then lived together. Every family had a father and a mother.

Until I was 25, I called every man older than I, 'Sir'- and after I turned 25, I still called policemen, firemen and every man with a title, 'Sir.'

We were before gay-rights, computer- dating, dual careers, daycare centers, and group therapy.

Our lives were governed by the Ten Commandments, good judgment, and common sense. We were taught to know the difference between right and wrong and to stand up and take responsibility for our actions.

Serving your country was a privilege; living in this country was a bigger privilege.

We thought fast food was what people ate during "Lent."

Having a meaningful relationship meant getting along with your cousins.

Draft dodgers were people who closed their front doors when the evening breeze started.

Time-sharing meant time the family spent together in the evenings and weekends--not purchasing condominiums.

We never heard of satellite radios, FM radios, tape decks, CDs, electric typewriters, yogurt, or guys wearing

earrings, ugh.

We listened to the Big Bands, Jack Benny, and the President's speeches on our radios.

And I don't ever remember any kid blowing his brains out listening to Tommy Dorsey.

If you saw anything with 'Made in Japan' on it, it was junk.

The term 'making out' referred to how you did on your school exam.

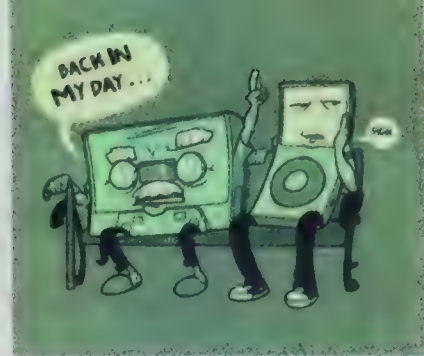
Pizza Hut, McDonald's, and instant coffee were unheard of.

We had 5 & 10-cent stores where you could actually buy things for 5 and 10 cents.

Ice-cream cones, phone calls, rides on a streetcar, and a Coca-Cola & Pepsi Cola were all a nickel.

And if you didn't want to splurge, you could spend your nickel on enough stamps to mail 1 letter and 2 postcards.

You could buy a new Chevy Coupe for \$600 but who could afford one?



Too bad because gas was 11 cents a gallon.

In my day: "grass" was mowed, "coke" was a cold soft drink, "pot" was something your mother cooked in and "rock music" was your grandmother's lullaby. "Aids" were helpers in the Principal's office, "chip" meant a piece of wood, "hardware" was found in a hardware store and "software" wasn't even a word.

And we were the last generation to actually believe that a lady needed a husband to have a baby.

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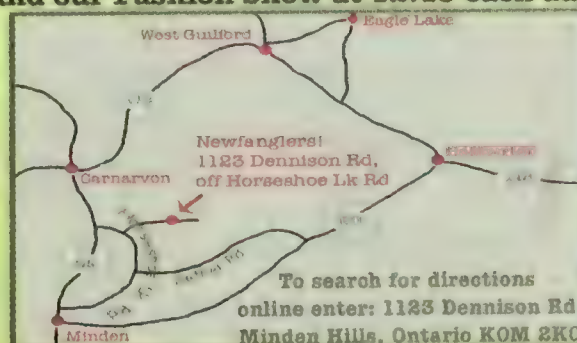
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WHITE TRAIL

By Marci Mandel

Heart Songs

I saw the cutest site last week and it stopped me in my tracks. I was boating to the car to go to a creative choral music course at Fleming's School of the Arts, and half way down there was something I had never seen on this lake but so desperately yearned for. My heart opened and sighed when I saw it was true. We had two baby loons for the first time in a very, very long time. What made this so wonderfully remarkable was that for the last five or six years, we'd only had one loon on our lake. I'd get all excited when a possible mate would come and hang around for a bit then would be disappointed when it didn't last. What a delight to see this family together with the two little ones riding on the



mom's back. I had of course seen this in photos and videos, but here? It was pure joy.

A few days later, my heart sunk when I realized there was only one chick left. It was so sad. It was so very sad, it choked me up.

Feeling feelings. This is rather new to me. I tried for a long time to avoid them because I didn't know how to deal with them; they overwhelmed me. But then we read *Townhouse* by Trish Cohen in our book group and there was this character who was agoraphobic and got dizzy when he went outside. A young neighbour finally asked him, so what's the worst that would happen if you got dizzy? He thought a while and then said he'd fall down. Was that so bad? I remembered that scene when I was feeling sad about something and decided to not turn it off but to actually just feel it anyway. What was the worst that could happen? I'd cry? I'd cry a lot? And so I did. I pulled the car into a parking lot and let out the suffering. I just let it out, and out, and out. And I survived. I can't even remember now what the grief was, so I guess the tears washed it away.

As a young child, I learned to hold my emotions in. My father had a weak heart, and I believed he would die if I was too expressive, so I numbed my emotions with food. The concept of emotional intelligence was decades away from being understood as was the knowing that it was best to relate rather than react in difficult situations. Growing up, numbing and being physically active were the tools I had to cope.

As a result, I had learned to think in terms of black and white: people were either angels or demons. Things were either good or bad, up or down, hot or cold. In music, which was also an escape, songs were either in major or minor keys – happy or sad.

In the choral singing class, we were introduced to a number of songs and since it was level 1 and we only had a week together, they were kept fairly simple. Onawa's Waltz, Honey Don't Cry, and J'entends le Moulin were fun rounds in two to four parts that were entertaining, as were the songs with two parts each having different words. What I noticed though, when we sang harmonies, three groups singing the same words but different notes, there was a richness created that was transcendent. Somehow we were separate and together at the same time.

In the song *Honey Don't Cry*, Beverley Glenn-Copeland wrote: Honey don't cry, baby don't cry we all get together in the by and by, that's what the soul dreams of. Honey don't dry, baby don't cry, we all come together in the by and by, pulled to the heart of love. 'Get together' and 'come together': so subtly yet significantly different in meaning. Getting together was about all the individuals being in the same place, but coming together was about joining open hands and hearts. Emotions had to be free to express themselves for this to happen. Before my big cry in the parking lot, I could only get together. Now I could come together: relate, harmonize. Feeling pain wasn't so bad; it brought me closer to those I held dear and made my back a comforting and reachable place.

Black or white: angels or demons. Maybe we're more like the loons – both black and white – coming together as best we can to raise our families.

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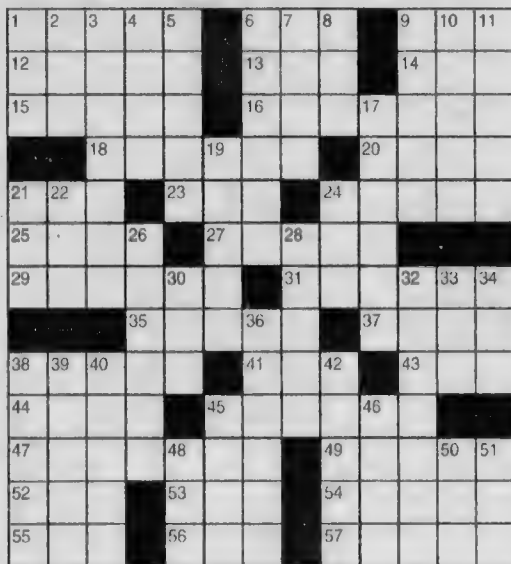
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Dumb Criminals

Mommy and Clyde

A young man asked his mother to drive him to the bank without telling her he planned to rob it. He told her to wait while he went inside to conduct his business. A few minutes later junior came running out with the cash, only to find that mom had parked the car and gone inside a nearby grocery store to do some shopping.

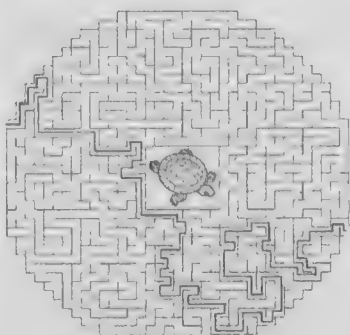
Polite robbers wait their turn

Two Birmingham, Alabama teens walked into a shoe store and asked employee Sonya Graham for a pen and paper. One of the girls wrote a note, then handed it to the worker, saying, "I'm sorry to do this. You're so nice."

The note said: "I have a gun in my pants, give me all the money." "You came at a bad time," the employee said. "I have a customer to wait on."

The would-be robbers offered to wait, police said, so the worker walked to the back of the store and triggered the store's silent alarm system. She then went back to the counter and stalled the suspects until police arrived.

"They were real nice," said police Lt. Roy Williams, adding that the girls were armed with a toy cap pistol. "They probably haven't done this before."



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with Susan Lee

One wonderful feature of Haliburton County is that each home/cottage is unique. Over the years of assisting home/cottage buyers with financing these unique properties has educated me in different lender's (financial institutions) requirements of rural vacation/cottage mortgages. I break vacation/cottage properties into two categories, A and B cottages.

An A cottage is more like a home while a B cottage has more rustic features like sitting on piers for example. Lenders also are not all equal with their guidelines with cottage properties. Some of the lenders only do A cottages. I have assisted clients over the years with purchasing B cottages after being turned down by their (only A cottage) lender. Three of the biggest difference in financing an A and B cottage are the down payment requirements, amortization allowed and the interest rate charged.

An A cottage is just like financing a home. Lenders require 5% down payment (which can be from your own savings, borrowed or gifted to you) with a maximum amortization of 35 years and the rate is always my best discounted rate.

A B cottage requires a down payment of 10% (from your own resources and must have a deposit history of 90 days) with a maximum amortization of 25 years and the rate is usually 1/4% to 1% above my best discounted rate.

A B cottage with a down payment of \$25000.00 on a purchase price of \$250,000.00 at 5.5% (5 year fixed) and amortization of 25 years = a monthly payment of \$1373.00

On an A cottage (which I can still do at 4.4) using the same monthly payment of \$1373.00 over 35 years amortization you would qualify for a mortgage of \$295500.00 plus the down payment of \$25000.00 = purchase price of \$320500.00

So for the same monthly cash flow of \$1373.00 if you are able to purchase an A cottage your price range would increase by \$70,000.00. With the uniqueness of the area's properties and lending guidelines I recommend anyone thinking about buying a cottage to get pre approved and not just you but the properties you are considering buying. Because I deal with rural vacation homes all the time I can very quickly assess a property and let you know if it is an A or B cottage because as you can see above they are not treated equally by the financial institutions.

Just email me the MLS listing to susanlee@mortgagebrokers.com.

Please feel free to call me if you want to discuss, in more detail, financing cottages in Haliburton County.

On a separate topic: I have had several calls in response to my last article "Hot topic Mortgage Penalties" from people facing large mortgage penalties with their current lender looking for a second opinion. This only confirmed to me what I had stated in the last article. There is never just one solution to any mortgage situation. The best decision is an informed decision. If the professional you are dealing with is not providing you with good information then it is up to you to become informed. Deciding which professional to use is always important. This is no different for a mortgage professional (at a bank or with a mortgage broker). Ask people you know who they would recommend. Shop your business. Be informed. Call me for a second opinion.

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It's the Law

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An old law in International Falls Minnesota stated that cats were prohibited from chasing dogs up telephone poles!

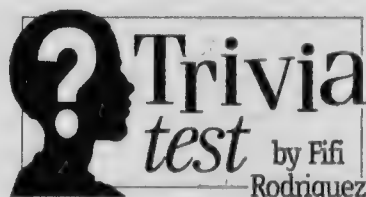


In medieval Europe, butchers were not allowed to serve on juries!

A law in Britain makes it illegal for trucks to get stuck under bridges that are too low for them to go under!

In Ashland, Wisconsin, it is against the law to play marbles for keeps.

In Arkansas, it's against the law to blindfold a bull and lead the animal down a public road!



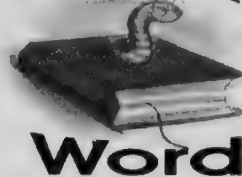
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2. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is the average lifespan of a housefly?
3. MOVIES: What was the name of the volleyball that became Tom Hanks' companion in

"Cast Away"?

4. MEASURES: How much beer would a firkin hold?
5. MYTHOLOGY: What area of life did the Roman goddess Discordia rule?
6. BIBLE: Which of the Ten Commandments forbids thievery?
7. U.S. CITIES: What is the capital of Vermont?
8. GEOGRAPHY: What is the basic currency of North Korea?
9. ASTROLOGY: What is Libra's symbol?
10. LITERATURE: What famous author went by the pseudonym of "Boz"?

Answers	1. Ankles	2. About two to three weeks	3. Wilson	4. Nine gallons	5. Strife or disorder	6. Eighth Commandment "You shall not steal"	7. Montpelier	8. The won	9. The scales	10. Charles Dickens
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Word

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\cha-ke-blak\ adj 1: brought close together 2. very full

Their garage is chockablock with old paint cans and other containers that constitute a fire hazard.



Lange on the Law

Donald Lange

by **Donald J. Lange**
Barrister & Solicitor

Mitigation of Damages

The term "damages" is a lawsuit term meaning the pecuniary losses that a person ("the plaintiff") suffers as a result of the conduct of another person ("the defendant"). The term "mitigation" in the law of damages means the reduction of this loss and refers to the conduct of the plaintiff that diminished or might have diminished the loss. The basic rule of mitigation is that the plaintiff is not entitled to compensation for a loss that could have been avoided by taking reasonable action. Underlying this rule is the principle of causation. Losses that could reasonably have been avoided are losses caused by the plaintiff's failure to take the steps to avoid those losses. Those losses are viewed as losses not caused by the defendant. Thus, the plaintiff has a "duty to mitigate" but the burden is on the defendant to show that the plaintiff acted unreasonably in failing to mitigate the loss.

An example from the case law illustrates the duty to mitigate. This was a personal injury case where the plaintiff suffered a whiplash. The court stated: "With respect to general damages, she suffered a standard whiplash injury from which she suffered considerably for a period of about a year. She has no permanent disability. There is evidence that she discontinued wearing the cervical collar and discontinued therapy treatments due to pressures imposed on her by a supervisor. It was open to her to go to her Union executive to file a grievance against her supervisor's conduct in telling her to either give up her therapy or give up her job. She did not take such action although it was available. The defendant cannot be held responsible for this problem . . . The evidence is clear that the physiotherapy treatments she was receiving at the Rehabilitation Centre and the wearing of the collar was assisting her recovery. She discontinued taking the prescribed treatment and to this extent failed to mitigate her damages . . . I would assess general damages for pain and suffering at \$3,000.00. In arriving at this figure, I have taken into consideration her failure to mitigate. The total of the special [loss of wages] and general damages is therefore \$ 7,209.92, of which the plaintiff shall recover from the defendant 70%; that is, \$ 5,046.94." In this case, there was an issue of the plaintiff's contributory negligence which reduced the total damages by 30%. Did the plaintiff act unreasonably in failing to file the grievance?

In the next column, I will be talking about colonization roads.

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Highland Auto Electric

Rebuilding What You Have Can Be the Better, More Green-Friendly Way to Go

By Mark Arike

"Reduce, reuse and rebuild."

Those three simple words are of significant importance to Greg Metcalfe, owner and operator of Highland Auto Electric in Haliburton. In fact, it's that tagline that basically represents everything Greg does with his auto repair business.

For a number of years, Greg was an iron worker in the Toronto area before he moved to the Highlands. As a child, he experienced many stays up at Homestead Cottage, a business his grandfather owned on Boshkung Lake, which still exists today.

"We'd come up and spend time there," explained Greg. "I also had some other family that drew me to the area. Plus the area itself is beautiful."

In 1989, he moved to Haliburton County and began working in the construction business. But because Greg found himself commuting to the city quite often, he decided to look towards purchasing a business that would allow him to do all of his work in the same place he moved to.

"When I purchased this business in 2004 it was called Gallant Auto Electric. I first operated it out of my house in West Guilford, but after a while I wanted to get it more out into a storefront operation," he said, pointing out that Gallant was the last name of the original owner.



In December of 2008 Greg moved the business to 130 Industrial Park Rd, a location that includes a number of nearby businesses. Some of the services that Greg provides at his shop include the rebuilding of alternators, starters, DC motors and snowplow motors. In the summer season he takes on marine work, which includes outboard motors, starters, power trim and trim motors.

Though he has carried on the business with similar services that previous owners provided, he's also added some additional items to the extensive list.

"I have a bay where I work out of now so I can put a car in, take the alternator off, the starter off, the part off, rebuild it and throw it back on all at once," Greg explained.

It's Greg's belief that often times a customer experiencing problems with their vehicle is better off rebuilding their original equipment (such as starters, alternators) rather than buying new, cheap offshore replacements.

"Most of the major original components are still in great shape and just need some of the wear components replaced," he explained.

Should you break down on the side of the road, Greg does service calls. Using this service can save you time and money in the long run.

"Instead of calling a tow truck when your car won't start, I might be able to repair the problem. That would save you time and money; or at the very least, could get your vehicle going so that it can make it to the shop," Greg pointed out.

And what types of vehicles can Greg help get back on the road?

"They could be heavy duty, like trucks and agricultural vehicles, ATV's, marine, auto... pretty much anything that has a starter, alternator or a DC motor," he answered.

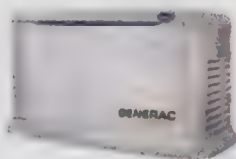
Another good reason to call Highland Auto Electric is that there is no mistaking the diagnostics that determine whether the problem stems from the battery, alternator or starter.

"I get many calls from people saying they replaced their battery and their car still won't start. That's because it wasn't their battery, it was

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their alternator," said Greg. "Their battery might have been fine. Or their car won't start so they replace the starter and they still have the same problem. It could have been their battery or possibly a bad ground, corrosion, a loose cable...at Highland Auto Electric we identify the problem first and then correct it."

One of the things that Greg is proud to be is an Interstate Battery dealer. He says he chose Interstate because of the high quality product they provide.

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Highland Auto Electric is also a member of the Auto Electric Rebuilders Association of Canada; being a member of the organization provides Greg with a few significant benefits.

"They provide an online database where I can go and look up a certain problem someone has encountered and see how other people in the same situation handled it," explained Greg. "For instance, I had someone come in to me with a 99' Ford Escort. Their car alarm would go off randomly and would take a long time until it eventually shut off. On the web site I can find someone who has been in the same situation and see what they did to resolve the issue."

So should you experience car troubles while in Haliburton County, and think you know where the problem lies, take a few moments to call Greg first. Odds are that he'll help you save time, money and unnecessary frustration.

Have an old battery that you're looking to dispose of? Well, you can just bring it to Greg's shop. He can take it from you and get rid of it properly.

Feel free to give Greg a call at 705 455-9111, or drop by his shop in-person.

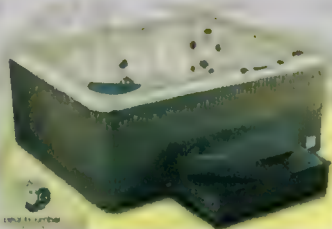
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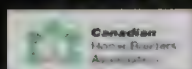


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Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary

Where All Injured And Orphaned Wild Animals Are Accepted, Rehabilitated and Released

by George Farrell

There are two trains of thought about what to do if you come across an injured or baby wild animal. One concept is that you should just leave the animal alone and that the mother will come to get the baby or that nature will take care of the situation. The alternative is taking the animal home in order to try and raise it, or rehabilitate it back to health, with an aim to eventually setting it free.

In many cases, even though some people are aware that leaving the animal alone might be the best solution, it just proves too hard to either see an animal suffer or deal with the consequences; like the family cat or dog chewing upon a baby bird for instance. In these situations very often the young or injured animal is taken home and put in a temporary cage where it is fed food which more often than not actually does it harm. Too many of these cases see the animals die a lingering death in spite of all the good intentions.

What the county has sorely needed for some time now is a sanctioned and approved wildlife rehabilitation centre which can work hand in hand with institutions like the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) and Veterinarian clinics, both places where people who don't want to care for the animals themselves take their injured or baby creatures.

Well, now there is such a place, or more specifically the beginnings of such a place, which

them on the side," she reveals. Later she was on the board of directors of an organization called PAWS of the town of Georgina, which incorporates the communities of Sutton, Keswick and Pefferlaw, around the Lake Simcoe area. PAWS stands for Promoting Animal Welfare Society, and it was founded by Trina West who cottages on Maple Lake in our county. It was that connection that led White Bear and Monika to relocate to the Highlands. The WWS has partnered with PAWS of Georgina, a not-for-profit charitable organization, and this enables WWS to give tax receipts for donations. And they need donations.

"We've only been in the Highlands for a year," Monika explains, "and setting up a sanctuary takes time, and a lot of money. We need to find ways to sustain the business, which includes funding for things like food and building cages. Right now there is no funding, but we're working on it. We've been in touch with the Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC), which has pointed us in good directions. We're still discovering how things work here.

"We're still getting calls from Georgina, and if people are willing to drive here we will accept animals from all over. We've had rabbits, raccoons, painted turtles with dog bites, red and grey squirrels, skunks, ducklings, and even field mice. We don't consider the mice as pets or vermin. When they were brought to us they were like tiny pink dots, and we raised them and released them."

"Each animal has different requirements," Monika continues. They need to be fed specific foods and formulas. Human baby food can be harmful. People can kill them with kindness. We need to educate people on proper food for wild animals." To that end WWF has a School Education Program, where wildlife that is deemed non-releasable becomes part of the education process, where young children can interact with and discover more about their wild friends, who inhabit the same earth as they do.

"Once the animals that we are rehabbing become older we wean them off the baby foods and take them over to more natural foods that they find in their own environment," Monika continues, "like grass for rabbits, and slugs, worms, snails and grubs for raccoons. Raccoons initially need a lot of mothering and teaching.

We take them to the water and also put food in their water tubs so that they learn to feel for their supper. After they've learned some of what they need to survive in the wild they go into a large cage where we only feed and water them and clean the cage once a day. They quickly learn to disassociate, and it's not long before they're snarling and hissing at us when we go near them. The MNR guidelines state they the animals need to be released in the area in which they were found. Sometimes the people will come back to pick them up and release them, but more often we have to do it," another cost; especially if they were found some distance away.

The Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary is distributing a Wish List of needed items under such headings as Food and Bedding Supplies, Medical Supplies, Cage Building Materials, Office Equipment and Vehicles. The Wish List also includes volunteers who might like to help with cage construction, wildlife care, education, promotion, and drivers to transport animals.

If you would like to help please call Monika Melichar or White Bear at (705) 286-1133. For more information access the websites www.redrockcircle.com and www.pawsofgeorgina.com. The registered charitable number is 87806-6729 RR0001.



promises a reasonable alternative to leaving an injured or baby animal to fend for itself. Introducing: the Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary.

The Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary (WWS) is a part of Red Rock Circle which is a place of healing, growth and spiritual renewal dedicated to preserving and promoting a harmonious coexistence between humans, wildlife and nature. The philosophy of the Sanctuary is based on concepts arising from the Melbourne Principles for Sustainable Cities, at the community level. Principle 3 states that "... Nature is more than a commodity for the benefit of humans. We share the Earth with many other life-forms...they warrant our respect, whether or not they are of immediate benefit to us...Therefore, we have a responsibility to act as custodians for nature."

Monika Melichar is licensed through the MNR as a wildlife custodian. She and her partner White Bear (Richard Parcher) moved in 2008 from the Town of Georgina to their new digs which they call Red Rock Circle, located just outside Minden. Monika, who has a degree in Zoology, was in the pet shop business for 20 years. She also previously worked for the MNR, and the Toronto Metro Zoo.

"People started to bring wild animals in to the pet shop, and I'd look after

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Festivities at the second annual Art in the Village event include: wine and food samplings, view/purchase work created by a large variety of local artists, savour the music, and celebrate the Minden Hills Sesquicentennial (150th anniversary) year by touring the authentic Museum Buildings and special displays.

Proceeds from the event and a portion of the artists' sales will go towards the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation's (HHHSF) Reach for the Future Campaign. Through last year's event, \$4,000 was raised for the HHHSF.

Tickets are available in advance at \$15 per adult, \$10 person for a group of 10 or more, and \$20 at the gate. The admission price includes four tasting tokens. Additional tokens are available for \$2 each.

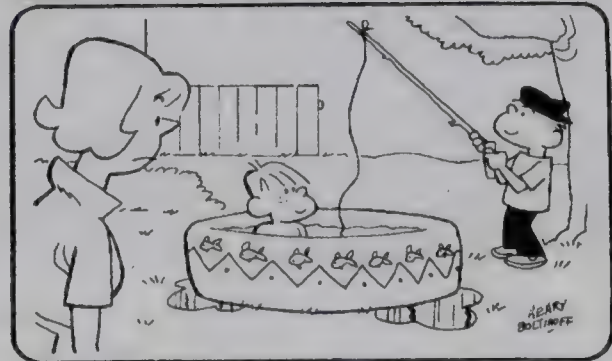
For more information contact Joanna Penfold at 705 286-2856.

This Year's Line-up of Artists: John Lennard Studio, Catherine Nutt, Pat Reynolds, Pau Rolfe, Jane Selbie, Sophia Tink, Rickie Woods Pottery, Sheila Ziman, John Beachli, Iron Clad & Designs by Karly, Norton Garry, Iron Clad Metalwork, Cheryl Johnson, Sarah Jowett, Dr. John Kerr, Haliburton Highlands Hand Weavers & Spinners, Debbie & Grahame Wales, Tiffany Howe, Lois Raw, Amy June Beeneey.

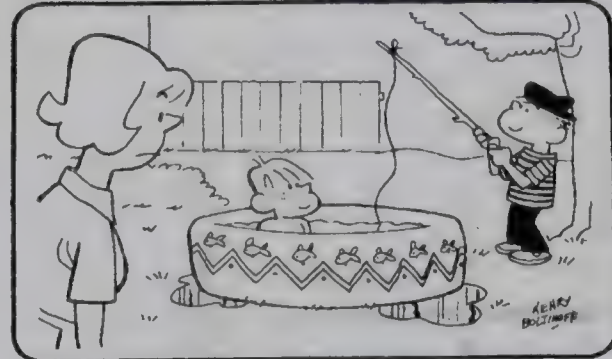
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It's Happening in Kinmount!

by Lynne Kilby

Rejoice! Celebration time's here! You are invited to party, party, party and party, hearty with the community of Kinmount who welcomes you to its 150th Anniversary Heritage Week Celebrations. From July 24 - August 2 an amazing array of events await you. Kinmount is indeed very lucky to have vibrant community spirit and a strong volunteer base that makes these events possible. Generous donations received from the City of Kawartha Lakes and the Township of Galway, Cavendish & Harvey aid in uniting the community in celebration.

Kinmount's official sesquicentennial birthday was April 1, 2009, reflecting the date the first Post Office opened back in 1859. Through a downpour of rain, Kinmount pride shone brightly as crowds of people gathered at the Post Office to celebrate this historical milestone. Further celebrations include the Kinmount Gazette, a bi-weekly historical publication blended with current Kinmount news; a web site - kinmount.ca, a mural depicting downtown Kinmount circa 1900 and of course Kinmount Heritage Week Celebrations. Here's the line up of events:

Kinmount Heritage Week Celebrations Continue...

Special Heritage Displays at Kinmount Artisans Marketplace 10 am to 5:00 p.m. daily. Members will be dressed in pioneer attire. View Kinmount Model Railroad & Museum at the Railway Station. Members dressed in period attire.

July 30 - Kinmount Public Library hosts a hands on program - Sensational Snakes at 11:00 a.m. Enjoy Tea Time with Friends 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

July 30 - Music in the Park with Washboard Hank & Co., 6:30 p.m. at Austin Sawmill Heritage Park. Free admission. Bring your lawn chairs.

July 31 - Film Festival at Kinmount Community Centre, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., features films about Kinmount. Who knows...you may be a star! Admission by donation.

Aug. 1 - Browse Kinmount Farmers Market from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Austin Sawmill Heritage Park. Make sure to enter the free draw for a basket of goodies fresh from Kinmount.

Aug. 1 - Geo Caching Tour - Explore the Wonders of Kinmount, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Meet at Kinmount Public Library just south of town on Hwy 121. Call 488-2291 to register your team of 2.

Aug. 1 - Dance at Kinmount Community Centre featuring The Emily Creek Band, 8:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. Admission \$10.00.

Aug. 1 - Kinmount Seniors Yard Sate at the Railway Station 9:00 a.m. Vendors

welcome. Call 488-1110 for more information. Rain date August 2.

Aug. 1 & 2 - Art Showing by Multi Media Artist Brenda Mulholland, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at Kinmount Gazebo. Brenda is the artist who produced the new Kinmount Mural on the south side of Kinmount Post Office.

Aug. 2 - Author, Genealogy & Railway Days at the Railway Station & Kinmount Community Centre, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Guest authors include Ron Brown, author of "The Train Doesn't Stop Here Anymore", Rod Clarke author of "Narrow Gauge Through the Bush" & Nina Spencer Motivational Speaker & Canadian Bestselling Author of "Getting Passion Out of Your Profession." Ride the rails by tram at 11:00 a.m., 1:30 p.m. & 3:30 p.m. or take a self-guided walking tour. Rubber Duck Race 2:00 p.m. at Austin Sawmill Heritage Park - Proceeds support Special Olympics. BBQ in the Park sponsored by Kinmount & District Lions Club. Proceeds to the local food bank.

HAPPY 150th BIRTHDAY KINMOUNT!

More Upcoming Events:

August 9 - The annual Journey for Health for Kinmount & District Health Foundation depends on this major fundraiser to continue to bring improvements to local health care. Obtain pledges, walk, run or bike the rail trail south of Kinmount. Register at 9:00 a.m. at Austin Sawmill Heritage Park. Participants with pledges over \$100 will receive a t-shirt. To obtain a pledge sheet call 488-3053. If unable to join in, please sponsor a participant. Health is everything!

August 10 - 14 - A Point in Time holds Summer Adventure Day Camp for kids ages 6-11, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p. at Kinmount Community Centre. Cost is \$30/wk. per child. Register at Point in Time, 60 Eastern Ave, P.O. Box 1306, Haliburton, On, K0M 1S0, download a form from pointintime.ca to mail in or call me at 488-2919.

August 13 - Kinmount Seniors sponsor a bi-monthly trip to Casino Rama. The bus leaves the legion parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Enjoy a free lunch while you are there. Return time is 4:00 p.m. Bus cost is \$5.00. To reserve your spot call Theresa at 488-1110.

August 15 - Yard Sale at the Railway Station, 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Sell your treasures. Book your spot. Call 488-2282. Proceeds to Special Olympics.

Please call me at (705) 488-2919 or e-mail me at lynne.kilby@sympatico.ca to share news or advertise an event or activity and remember to check out kinmount.ca for the latest news and information. See you in Kinmount!!!

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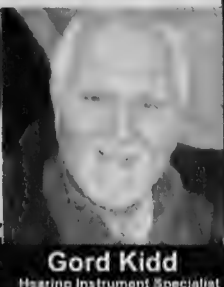
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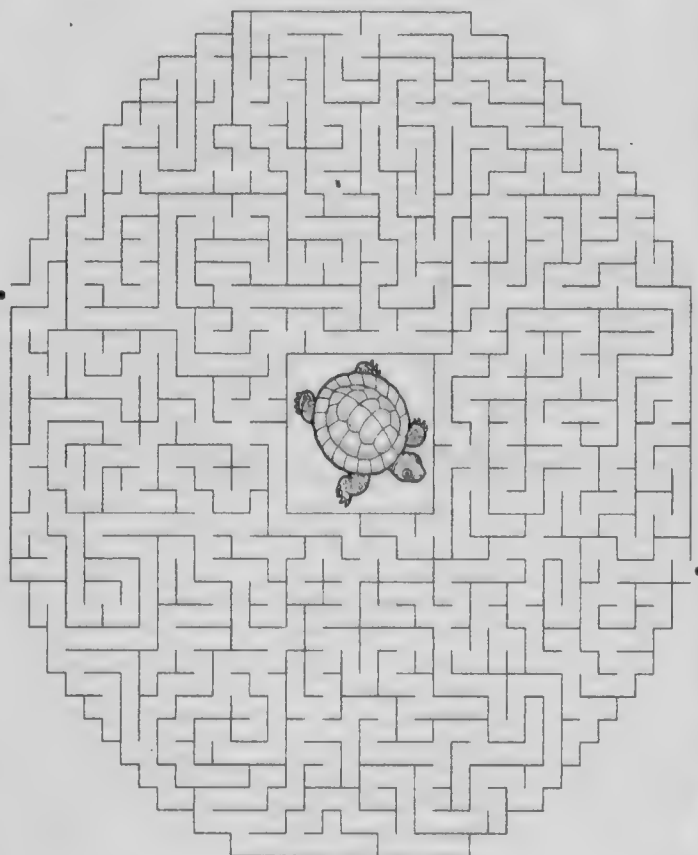
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If you need to tighten the cane seat of a chair, wet it with plain water, then set it out in the sun. The sun's heat tightens the cane while it dries.

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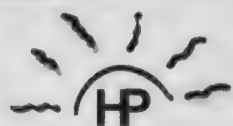
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THE PIPE LINE

by Mark Evans



I've heard it said that hot water is mankind's greatest achievement.

Sure we've got Penicillin, the international space station, laser eye surgery and high speed internet however, my old neighbour Freddy Nightlife tells me all those things are well and good but if he can't have a hot shower after work they can all kiss his ...you know. How can you argue with that?

Fred's not too happy with the plumbing code requirement that all water heaters are to be installed with a mixing valve that limits the water temperature available at the faucet. The powers that be determined that it's better to raise the tank temperature to eliminate bacterial growth, and then mix the water before distributing it throughout the home. The idea is to kill the bacteria and still guard against scalding.

Many customers ask to have the mixing valve removed because it's cooling the water too much and some people really like a HOT shower, myself included. There are also additional costs to supply and install these devices.

Turning that HOT Water UP???

I've talked with inspectors and trade officials about this and they say there's nothing to be done because it's a matter of public safety. What about the extra energy costs I asked ...and the environmental impact in the case of gas or oil fired water heaters? Sorry...luke warm showers for all because bacterial growth inside the water heaters is a health threat.

I agree that we need to protect against known hazards. It just seems odd that as a free citizen I can bungee jump, sky dive, mountain climb, ride to any of these activities on an insanely fast superbike and smoke the whole time but can't take a hot shower when I'm done because that would be dangerous.

I would really appreciate feed back from the readership on this topic. Does anyone know of a hot water related sickness?

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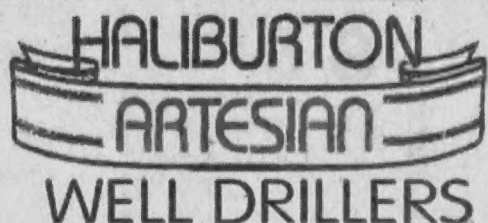
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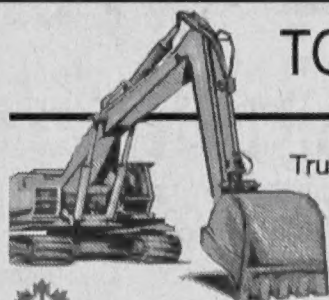
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Other than athletic ability, do you know what baseball player Hank Aaron, basketball player Dennis Rodman, tennis player Martina Navratilova, football player Joe Namath and track star Carl Lewis have in common? They are all vegetarians.

You probably have never heard of the World Beard and Moustache Championships, but the event really does exist, taking place every two years. Americans dominated the recent 2009 event, in Alaska; the next will take place in Norway. I don't usually include Web links in this column, but if you have a chance, go to www.worldbeardchampionships.com to check out the bizarre photos.

You might not be surprised to learn that Brussels sprouts contain comparatively high levels of sulfur.

If you ever get the opportunity to travel Down Under, you might want to make a stop at Mount Wingen to see an unparalleled natural phenomenon. Experts say that, thanks to vast deposits of coal near the Earth's surface, a fire has been burning continuously there for about 6,000 years.

As the Earth moves in its orbit around the sun, it travels at 18.5 miles every second. That's 1,110 miles a minute, or 66,600 miles per hour.

Thought for the Day: "If you make people think they're thinking, they'll love you; but if you really make them think, they'll hate you."
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